Agenda Item No. 5(A)

TO:

Honorable Chairperson Barbara

Carey-Shuler, Ed.D and Members,

Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

George M. Bu

County Ma

DATE:

May 18, 2004

SUBJECT: Waiver of Formal Bid Procedures

for Urgent and Non-urgent Medical

Transport Services

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached resolution waiving the formal bid procedures and provisions of AO 3-38 in order to expedite the process to receive sealed quotes for urgent and non-urgent medical patient transport services.

BACKGROUND

The existing ambulance contract expired on April 30, 2004 and the County is currently operating under an emergency purchase order with enough funds to cover services through approximately May 15, 2004. There is an accompanying resolution on this agenda to allow for a further month to month extension of that contract in order to ensure continuity of service.

As detailed in the accompanying agenda item there have been three extensions of the original 1996 contract. With each extension the Board instructed staff to review opportunities for future competitive bidding and participation of small business enterprises. An Invitation to Bid, to accomplish the Board's intent, was prepared in 2002, challenged in 2003 and has since been suspended.

In an effort to continue medical transportation service and provide for competition as directed by the Board, staff is recommending the following immediate actions:

- 1. Approval of the contract extension with AMR (the accompanying agenda item). This will allow for continuity of this needed service for Miami-Dade Fire Rescue, Police, Corrections, participating clinics and municipalities as needed.
- 2. Approval of this expedited informal competitive process which will not only open competition among all qualified potential vendors (including the current provider), but also test the competitive market for better financial terms for the County.

The request for Sealed Quotes is a month to month contract not to exceed one year, with award to the lowest responsible bidder by group. The three groups are: County and municipal fire rescue services, County and municipal police including corrections and interfacility transfers (clinics).

The ITB that is currently challenged and suspended will be released upon resolution of that legal issue. In the meantime, it is recommended and it is in the best interest of the County, to proceed with both the current contract extension and the request of sealed bids. In the event that the Honorable Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D and

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Request for Sealed bids produces more favorable financial terms for the county and distributes work among qualified vendors, the month to month extension with AMR can be cancelled with a 30 day notice and new ¢ontract(s) can be executed with successful bidders.

Susanne M. Torriente

Assistant County Manager

TO:

Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.

DATE:

May 13, 2004

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:

Robert A. Ginsburg

County Attorney

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SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 11(A)(4)

Please note any items checked.

 "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
 Budget required
 Statement of fiscal impact required
 Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
 Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
No committee review

Approved	Mayor	Agenda Item No. 5-13-04	11(A)(4)
Veto			
Override			

No+ On

RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BID PROCEDURES AND PROVISIONS OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-38; AUTHORIZING EXPEDITED PROCESS TO RECEIVE SEALED QUOTES FOR URGENT AND NON URGENT MEDICAL PATIENT TRANSPORT SERVICES; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MANAGER TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL ANY PROPOSED CONTRACT RESULTING FROM THE SOLICITATION WHICH IS DETERMINED TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COUNTY

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by this reference,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY:

<u>Section 1.</u> The County Manager is hereby authorized to solicit sealed quotes on an expedited basis from providers of urgent and non-urgent medical patient transport services believed to be capable of satisfying the County's needs. The sealed quotes shall be for delivery of services on a month-to-month basis for a period not to exceed one year.

- Section 2. The County Manager is further authorized to recommend to the Board for approval any proposed contract which results from this solicitation which is determined to be in the best interest of Miami-Dade County.
- Section 3. This Board waives formal bid procedures and the provisions of Administrative Order 3-38 to accomplish the purposes set forth in this resolution, formal bidding



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waived in this instance pursuant to Section 4.03 (D) of the Home Rule Charter by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board members present.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler, Chairperson Katy Sorenson, Vice-Chairperson

Bruno A. Barreiro

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Betty T. Ferguson

Sally A. Heyman
Jimmy L. Morales

Joe A. Martinez Dennis C. Moss

Dorrin D. Rolle

Natacha Seijas

Rebeca Sosa

Sen. Javier D. Souto

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 13th day of May, 2004. This Resolution and contract, if not vetoed, shall become effective in accordance with Resolution No. R-377-04.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

Approved by County Attorney
As to form and legal sufficiency

Hugo Benitez

